**Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.**—May I know, Sir, the nature of urgent works mentioned here?

**Rama Varmha Tampuran.**—I am sorry I have not got a list of them.

## Levies on Motor and Steam boats.

**25. Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.**—With reference to question No. 488 of the last sitting regarding the Dual Nature and Multiplicity of Government levies on Motor and Steam boats, will the Government be pleased to state the standard by which the levies were made?

**Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.**—The P. W. Department realises only the dues authorised by the Canal rules. The rates were fixed after consultation with the Travancore and British Governments.

**Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.**—May I know, Sir, whether the mere fact of the connivance of Travancore and British Governments is the justification for disproportionately taxing the boats of our State?

**President.**—You are referring to other Governments and you are using words like 'connivance', etc. You may ask for whatever information you want.

**Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.**—Is the agreement between the Travancore and British people a complete justification for disproportionately taxing our boats?

**Mr. V.K. Aravindaksha Menon.**—The necessity for mentioning that these rates were fixed after consulting the Travancore and British Governments is to show that due consideration has been given to this question.

**Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.**—In the last session the same question was asked and it was said then that it was done according to the agreements of the boat-owners themselves.

**President.**—I advise you to include this in your tomorrow's speech.

**Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.**—Will you please make a note of it?

## Equipment of human labour with Mechanical Power.

**26. Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.**—Will the Government be pleased to state the rate of equipment of human labour with mechanical power in the State for the last 10 years?

**Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.**—The question is not clear.

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